

## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to OMB for Review and Approval; Comment Request; NSPS for Industrial/Commercial/Institutional Steam Generating Units (Renewal)

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION**: Notice.

**SUMMARY**: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 <u>et seq.</u>), this document announces that an Information Collection Request (ICR) has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval. This is a request to renew an existing approved collection. The ICR which is abstracted below describes the nature of the collection and the estimated burden and cost.

**DATES**: Additional comments may be submitted on or before [INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER PUBLICATION IN THE **FEDERAL REGISTER**].

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, referencing docket ID number EPA-HQ-OECA-2012-0499, to (1) EPA online using www.regulations.gov (our preferred method), or by email to docket.oeca@epa.gov, or by mail to: EPA Docket Center (EPA/DC), Environmental Protection Agency, Enforcement and Compliance Docket and Information Center, mail code 28221T, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20460, and (2) OMB at: Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget (OMB), Attention: Desk Officer for EPA, 725 17<sup>th</sup> Street, NW, Washington, DC 20503.

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number: (202) 564-4113; fax number: (202) 564-0050; email address: williams.learia@epa.gov. **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**: EPA has submitted the following ICR to OMB for review and approval according to the procedures prescribed in 5 CFR 1320.12. On August 9, 2012 (77 FR 47631), EPA sought comments on this ICR pursuant to 5 CFR 1320.8(d). EPA received no comments. Any additional comments on this ICR should be submitted to both EPA and OMB within 30 days of this notice.

EPA has established a public docket for this ICR under docket ID number EPA-HQ-OECA-2012-0499, which is available for public viewing online at <a href="http://www.regulations.gov">http://www.regulations.gov</a>, or in person viewing at the Enforcement and Compliance Docket in the EPA Docket Center (EPA/DC), EPA West, Room 3334, 1301 Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC. The EPA Docket Center Public Reading Room is open from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The telephone number for the Reading Room is (202) 566-1744, and the telephone number for the Enforcement and Compliance Docket is (202) 566-1752.

Use EPA's electronic docket and comment system at <a href="http://www.regulations.gov">http://www.regulations.gov</a> to either submit or view public comments, access the index listing of the contents of the docket, and to access those documents in the docket that are available electronically. Once in the system, select "docket search," then key in the docket ID number identified above. Please note that EPA's policy is that public comments, whether submitted electronically or in paper, will be made available for public viewing at <a href="http://www.regulations.gov">http://www.regulations.gov</a> as EPA receives them and without change, unless the comment contains copyrighted material, Confidential Business Information

(CBI), or other information whose public disclosure is restricted by statute. For further information about the electronic docket, go to <a href="https://www.regulations.gov">www.regulations.gov</a>.

Title: NSPS for Industrial/Commercial/Institutional Steam Generating Units (Renewal)

**ICR Numbers:** EPA ICR Number 1088.13, OMB Control Number 2060-0072.

**ICR Status:** This ICR is scheduled to expire on January 31, 2013. Under OMB regulations, the Agency may continue to conduct or sponsor the collection of information while this submission is pending at OMB.

**Abstract**: The affected entities are subject to the General Provisions of the NSPS at 40 CFR part 60, subpart A and any changes, or additions to the Provisions specified at 40 CFR part 60, subpart Db.

Owners or operators of the affected facilities must make an initial notification report, performance tests, periodic reports, and maintain records of the occurrence and duration of any startup, shutdown, or malfunction in the operation of an affected facility, or any period during which the monitoring system is inoperative. Reports are also required semiannually.

**Burden Statement**: The annual public reporting and recordkeeping burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 388 hours per response. "Burden" means the total time, effort, or financial resources expended by persons to generate, maintain, retain, or disclose or provide information to or for a Federal agency. This includes the time needed to review instructions; develop, acquire, install, and utilize technology and systems for the purposes of collecting, validating, and verifying information, processing and maintaining information, and disclosing and providing information; adjust the existing ways to comply with any previously applicable instructions and requirements which have subsequently changed; train personnel to be

able to respond to a collection of information; search data sources; complete and review the collection of information; and transmit or otherwise disclose the information.

Respondents/Affected Entities: Owners or operators of industrial/commercial/institutional steam generating units with a heat input capacity from fuels combusted in the unit of greater than 29 MW (100 million Btu/hour).

Estimated Number of Respondents: 1,727

Frequency of Response: Initially, occasionally, quarterly and semiannually

Estimated Total Annual Hour Burden: 1,607,368

Estimated Total Annual Cost: \$190,544,313, which includes \$155,639,313 in labor costs, \$9,000,000 in capital/startup costs, and \$25,905,000 in operation and maintenance (O&M) costs.

Changes in the Estimates: There is an adjustment increase in the total estimated burden as currently identified in the OMB Inventory of Approved Burdens. This increase is not due to any program changes. The estimated number of respondents has been adjusted to account for industry growth that has occurred since the most recent ICR was approved and to correct an inconsistency in the previous ICR estimate. Specifically, this ICR corrects the estimated number of respondents to be consistent with the supporting rationale. Both adjustments resulted in an increased number of existing sources and associated respondent and Agency labor hours. Also, this ICR makes adjustments to respondent and Agency labor hours in order to make the estimation methodology consistent with that of other ICRs. The previous ICR assumed that the per-respondent labor hours for each burden activity accounted for all technical, managerial, and clerical hours. This ICR assumes that labor hours account for technical hours only, and that

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clerical and managerial hours require an additional 10 and 5 percent of technical hours,

respectively. Additionally, this ICR calculates burden costs using the most recent labor rates.

There is an increase in respondent Operations and Maintenance costs compared to the

costs in the previous ICR. This increase is also due to industry growth and reflects O&M costs

that will be incurred by both existing facilities and new facilities since the most recent ICR.

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